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Preliminary to the examination of the above-identified application, Applicants wish to bring to the attention of the Examiner the references identified on the attached form PTO-1449.

U.S. Pat. No. 5,570,910 issued to Highlen on November 5, 1996 for a Coupling Assembly.

An action on the merits is requested.

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